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EMPLOYMENT AND PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2019– Associate Professor, Department of Economics
Vice Chair, Department of Economics, 2020-present
- 2024– Economic Research Forum (ERF)
Research Fellow
- 2024– Economic Research Agenda (ERAA)
Founding Member, Researcher
- 2022– Presidency of the Republic of Turkey, Strategy and Budget Directorate
Directorate General for COMCEC and International Development
Academic Consultant
- 2019–21 World Bank, Ankara, Turkey
Short Term Consultant
- 2012–19 Atılım University, Ankara, Turkey
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics
- 2005–11 University of Houston, TX, US
Research Assistant, Department of Economics
- 2002–04 Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey
Research Assistant, Graduate School of Social Sciences

EDUCATION

- 2011 PhD, University of Houston, Department of Economics, Houston, TX
- 2007 MA, University of Houston, Department of Economics, Houston, TX
- 2003 MBA, Middle East Technical University, Business Administration, Turkey
- 2001 B.Sc., Middle East Technical University, Environmental Engineering, Turkey

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Development, Health, Education, Labor, Impact Evaluation, Applied Microeconomics

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS (SSCI)

1. Expressway to Votes: Infrastructure Projects and Voter Persuasion (with Mevlude Akbulut Yuksel, Dozie Okoye), 2024, 134(657):48-94. *The Economic Journal*.
2. The Crime Effects of Refugees (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel, Naci Mocan, and Semih Tumen), 2024. *Forthcoming in Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.
3. Exposure to Economic Distress during Pregnancy and Birth Outcomes (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel, Seyit Mümin Cilasun and Erdal Tekin) NBER Working Paper No. 30902. *Journal of Labor Research*.
4. The Effect of Fertility on Female Labor Supply in a Labor Market with Extensive Informality, 2023. (with Semih Tumen). *Empirical Economics*.
5. Perceptions of Plain Packaging and Health Warnings Among University Students in Turkey: A survey-based experiment, (with Asena Caner, M. Yigit Gürdal, Sibel Güven). *BMC Public Health*, 2023, 23, 779.
6. Life Expectancy and Economic Development: Evidence from Micro Data, *Review of Development Economics*, 2020, 24(3): 949-972.
7. Left Behind: Intergenerational Transmission of Human Capital in the Midst of HIV/AIDS, (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel), *Journal of Population Economics*, 2013, 26(4), 1523–1547.
8. HIV and Fertility in Africa: First-Evidence from Population Based Surveys (with Chinhui Juhn and Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan), *Journal of Population Economics*, 2013, 26(3): 835-853.
9. HIV and Fertility Revisited (with Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan), *Journal of Development Economics*, 2011, 96(1): 61-65.

COMPLETED and UNDER REVIEW

10. WWII Blues: The Long-Lasting Mental Health Effect Of Childhood Trauma (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel and Erdal Tekin). NBER Working Paper No. 30284. Revision invited by *Journal of Human Resources*.
11. Mortality, Fertility and Human Capital Investment: Evidence from Immunization Program in India, Revision invited by *Economic Development and Cultural Change*.
12. Does Compulsory Schooling Cure Child Labor? (with Utku M. Ozmen). Revision invited by *Journal of Human Capital*.

13. Two Birds, One Stone: Minimum Wage and Child Labor (with Utku M. Ozmen). Revision invited by *International Journal of Manpower*.
14. The Impact of the Turkish Employment Subsidy Program in Increasing the Level of Social Protection for Women (with Binnur Balkan and Seyit Mümin Cilasun), ERF Working Papers No: 1022.
15. How do Transitory Income Shocks Affect Consumption? Evidence from Credit Card Data during COVID-19 (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel, Yusuf Emre Akgunduz and Seyit Mümin Cilasun).
16. A Double-Edged Sword: COVID-19 Economic Depression and Environment (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel). Under Review.
17. Evaluating the Impact of the Post-2008 Employment Subsidy Program in Turkey (with Binnur Balkan, Seyit Mümin Cilasun, Yusuf Soner Baskaya and Semih Tumen), Under Review.

WORK IN-PROGRESS

Breaking Barriers: Cultural Transmission and Women's Economic Empowerment (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel, Abdurrahman Aydemir and Murat Kırdar).

From Taxes To Transformation: Impact Of Tax Increases On Smoking Behavior In Turkey (with Asena Caner and Yenel Can Yiğit).

The Long Shadow of PKK Conflict in Turkey (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel and Dozie Okoye).

Compulsory Schooling and Child Labor: The Role of Structural Factors (with Utku M. Ozmen).

Busing to Equality: Effect of Busing Program On Children Outcomes in Turkey (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel and Erdal Tekin).

Do Conditional Cash Transfers Improve Child Outcomes: Evidence from Turkey.

A Survey Experiment on How Legal Status of Nicotine Products Influences Young Adults' Perceptions and Choices (with Asena Caner, Berna Tarı, Yenel Yiğit, Donald S. Kenkel, Alan D. Mathios).

BOOK CHAPTERS

Compensating Wage Differentials, In: *Labor Economics*, eds. M. Dayıoğlu and Y. Kılıçaslan, 2023, Anadolu University Press: Eskişehir.

Fertility, (with Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan), In: *The Encyclopedia of Global Studies*, eds. Mark Juergensmeyer and Helmut Anheier, Sage Publishers, 2012, vol 2, 563-565.

Where Does Capital Flow? A Comparison of US States and EU Countries 1950-2000, (with Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan and Bent Sorensen), In: *Building the Financial Foundations of the Euro: Experiences and Challenges*, eds. Lars Jonung, Christoph Walkner and Max Watson, Routledge, 2008, 222-241.

PUBLICATIONS in TURKISH

Education Policy, In *Economic Policy*, eds. Buket Alkan, Serkan Çiçek, Mustafa Eray Yücel, Nobel Akademik Yayıncılık, ISBN: 978-625-427-608-8, 2022.

An Analysis of Citizen Satisfaction with Education Services In Turkey, (with Ali Berker and Seyit Mümin Cilasun), *Efil Journal of Economic Research*, 2019, 2(7), 62-86.

POLICY BRIEFS, POLICY REPORTS and COLUMNS

Wartime Children and Long-term Mental Health (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel and Erdal Tekin), *VoxEU*, 2022.

The Crime Effect of Refugees (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel, Naci Mocan, and Semih Tumen), *VoxEU*, 2022.

Evaluation of the Impacts of ISKUR OJT Program on Youth Labor Market Outcomes (with Gunes Asik, Laurent Bossavie, Efsan Nas Ozen, Metin Nebiler and Ana Maria Oviedo), World Bank.

A Double-Edged Sword: COVID-19 Economic Depression and Environment (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel), *ERF Policy Briefs*.

Till COVID Take Us Apart, Further: Economic Downturns and Divergence, (with Mevlude Akbulut-Yuksel, Yusuf Emre Akgunduz and Seyit Mümin Cilasun), *ERF Policy Briefs*.

HIV and fertility in Africa: What do the new data say? (with Chinhui Juhn and Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan), *VoxEU*, 2008.

PROJECTS & CONSULTANCY

Economics of Curbing Smoking in Turkey: A New Agenda, FSFW, **Researcher**, 2021-2024.

River Basin Management Plans for Six Basins, The Delegation of the European Union to Turkey, **Non-key Expert**, Europe Aid, 2021-2025.

Turkey: Employment Incentives Evaluation, World Bank, **Consultant**, Project ID: P167372, 2019-2021.

Buyuk Menderes Basin Water Allocation Plan, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, **Economist**, 2021-2023.

Erosion Protection Plans and Technical Design Documentation for Flood Protecting Infrastructure for Selected Priority Areas in Bosnia and Herzegovina, The Delegation of the European Union to Bosnia and Herzegovina, **Non-key Expert**, Europe Aid, 2020-2023.

How do Transitory Income Shocks Affect Consumption? Evidence from Credit Card Data during COVID-19, Economic Research Forum (ERF), **Project Coordinator**, 2021.

A Double-Edged Sword: COVID-19 Economic Depression and Environment, Economic Research Forum (ERF), **Project Coordinator**, 2021.

Impact Analysis of School Bussing Program in Turkey, TUBITAK, **Project Coordinator**, 1001 Grant, Project No: 119K190, 2019-2021.

Esnaf ve Sanatkarlar Özelinde Ağaç, Kağıt ve Camdan Mamül Eşya Sektörü Analizi, Ministry of Trade, **Project Coordinator**, 2016-2018.

Kamu Hizmetlerinden Memnuniyet Analizi: Tespitler, İhtiyaçlar Ve Sorunlar: Eğitim Hizmetleri, Ministry of Development & TODAIE, **Researcher**, 2016.

The Impact of Recent Investments on Transportation Infrastructure on Rural Development in Turkey, Economic Research Forum (ERF), **Project Coordinator**, 2016.

Esnaf ve Sanatkarlar Özelinde Ulaştırma Sektörü Analizi, Ministry of Trade, **Researcher**, 2015-2016.

The Impact of the Turkish Employment Subsidy Programs in Increasing the Level of Social Protection for Women, Economic Research Forum (ERF), **Project Coordinator**, 2014.

FELLOWSHIPS and GRANTS

ERF Research Grant, 2021.

ERF Research Grant, 2021.

TUBITAK 1001 Grant, Project No: 119K190, 2019-2021.

ERF Research Grant, 2016.

ERF Research Grant, 2015.

University of Houston Research Grant, 2011.

Graduate Tuition Fellowship, University of Houston, 2005-2010.

Cullen Fellowship, University of Houston, 2005-2007.

GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING

Utku Özmen, 2022, PhD in Economics, TOBB-ETU "Turkish Economic Association - Best PhD Thesis Award"

Ayşe Merve Telis, 2022, MA in Economics, TOBB-ETU

Büşranur Dalkılıç, TOBB-ETU, ongoing

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

TOBB-ETU:

Topics in Applied Microeconomics (Graduate Level) · Econometrics (Graduate Level) · Economics of Migration (Graduate Level) · Principles of Development Economics · Microeconomic Theory I · Principle of Economics · Statistics · Economic Analysis and Applications

Impact Analysis and STATA Workshops

Competition Authority (2022) · TÜSSİDE/Republic Of Turkey Ministry of Industry and Technology (2021) · Republic of Turkey Ministry of Development (2016) · Republic of Turkey Ministry of Industry and Technology (2016) · Turkish Employment Agency (İŞKUR) (2015) · Republic of Turkey Ministry of Labour and Social Security (2014) · Ankara Development Agency (2014)

Atilim University:

Applied Microeconometrics (Graduate Level) · Microeconomic Theory I · Econometrics · Markets and Economic Indicators · Development Economics · Research Methods · International Economics · Introduction to Economics

University of Houston:

Principles of Macroeconomics · Principles of Microeconomics

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Vice Chair, Department of Economics, TOBB ETU, 2020-present

Coordinator & Instructor, SAEL (Social Sciences Training and Research Laboratory), Atilim University, 2014-2019

Committee Member, Education Committee, Atilim University, 2017-2019

Committee Member, Ethics Committee, Atilim University, 2012-2014

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Review Panel

- Refereeing Committee Member - ERF Annual Conference (2019-present)
- Panelist - TUBITAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) (2012-present)
- External Reviewer - TUBITAK (The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey) (2012-present)

Refereeing

Journal of Development Economics · Journal of Population Economics · Journal of Human Resources · Journal of Public Economics · Journal of Economic Growth · Economics of Education Review · Empirical Economics · İktisat Isletme ve Finans · Central Bank Review · Feminist Economics · Review of Development Economics · World Development · Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 7th Annual Conference on Human Capital, Istanbul · XV. Winter Workshop in Economics, İstanbul · 6th Economics of Mental Health Workshop, London · 12th Workshop on the Economics of Risky Behavior, London ·
- 2022 6th Annual Conference on Human Capital, Istanbul · Canadian Economic Association (Online)
- 2021 ERF 27th Annual Conference (Online) · HiCN Annual Workshop (Online) · ERF Webinar "The Economic Impact of COVID-19 in MENA Region" (Online)
- 2020 NEUDC (Online) · ERF 26th Annual Conference (Online)
- 2019 5th Annual Conference on Human Capital, Istanbul · International Conference of TRC, Ankara · ERF 25th Annual Conference, Kuwait
- 2018 4th Annual Conference on Human Capital, Istanbul · TOBB-ETU · World Bank Labor Market Workshop, Ankara
- 2017 3rd Annual Conference on Human Capital, Istanbul · Turkish Economic Association Conference, Cyprus
- 2016 2nd Annual Conference on Human Capital, Istanbul · Turkish Economic Association Conference, Bodrum
- 2011 TOBB-ETU · Bilkent University · METU · Sabanci University · Kansas State University · Econometric Society Summer Meeting, St. Louis
- 2009 Workshop on Health and Macroeconomics, Madrid · Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting (SEA), San Antonio · Health and Macroeconomy

Conference, Santa Barbara · Society of Economic Dynamics Meeting (SED),
Istanbul · Society of Labor Economists Meeting (SOLE), Boston
2008 Society of Labor Economists Meeting (SOLE), New York